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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Gary L. Shanklin

Appln. No.: 09/753,134

Filed: December 29, 2000

For: ANTIMICROBIAL ABSORBENT ARTICLE
AND METHODS OF MAKING AND USING
THE SAME

Examiner: Lynda Salvatore

Art Unit: 1771

Attorney Docket No: 659/766 (KC 14706)

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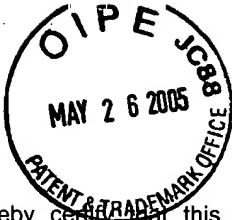
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed February 25, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the rejections in view of the following remarks, as set forth below.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.